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Serial No. 09/680,400

In re Application of

TAKU ICHIRYU Serial No. 09/680,400

Filed: October 5, 2000

For: FASTENING ARRANGEMENT FOR A

SPLIT CASING

DECISION ON REQUEST

TO WITHDRAW HOLDING

OF ABANDONMENT

BASED ON NON-RECEIPT

OF OFFICE ACTION

Receipt is acknowledged of Applicant's request to withdraw a holding of abandonment pursuant to MPEP Section 711.03, filed May 9, 2005. Applicant has requested that the holding be withdrawn based on the non-receipt of the Office action mailed June 17, 2003. No fee has been charged for this request.

This application was held to be abandoned because Applicant did not file a reply to the Office action mailed June 17, 2003.

At 1156 O.G. 53, a representative of the Commissioner set forth guidelines concerning the showing needed to be made when seeking withdrawal of the holding of an abandonment due to the non-receipt of an Office action. These guidelines state, in pertinent part, that the showing must consist of a statement from the practitioner representing an applicant stating that the Office action was not received by the practitioner and attesting to the fact that a search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Office action was not received. A copy of the docket record where the non-received Office action would have been entered had it been received and docketed must be attached and referenced in the practitioner's statement.

Applicant's request to withdraw the holding of abandonment contains a showing which is considered to comply with these requirements. The holding of abandonment is hereby rescinded.

Because the file record shows that there has been an information disclosure statement filed on 1/22/04, either the outstanding Office action, previously mailed on June 17, 2003, or a new Office action will follow this letter.

Holding of Abandonment RESCINDED.

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